GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3532
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RAIN HARVESTING
SURESH KODIKUNNIL

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount spent for rain harvesting in Andaman and Nicobar Islands during Ninth Five Year Plan alongwith the details of the projects/scheme-wise undertaken therewith;

(b) the number of persons/villages benefited thereby;

(c) the number of villages identified by the Andaman and Nicobar Administration for providing drinking water; and

(d) the action the Government contemplate to take for the purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): The Andaman and Nicobar Administration have taken up construction of roof water harvesting structures as a special drive to harvest rain water to supplement water supply in public buildings. The Administration have till date constructed 380 such structures with a total capacity of 6420 kilo litres at an expenditure of Rs.375.87 lakhs. The details of projects undertaken are given below :-

Island Capacity-wise RWHS construction (in Nos.)

	5KL	10KL	15KL	20KL	25KL	Total
(a) North Andaman		84				84
(b) Middle Andaman		39				39
(c) South Andaman		78	8			86
(d) Port Blair (HQ)	24	116	5	-	6	151
(e) Havelock	2	-	-			2
(f) Neil	2	-	-			2
(g) Little andaman		-			5	5
(h) Nancowry	4					4
(i) Campbell Bay	7					7
Total	24	131	5	117	103	380
Quantity of water stored	120 KL	1310 KL	75 KL	2340 KL	2575 KL	6420

In addition, the Andaman and Nicobar administration have launched a watershed project under a centrally sponsored scheme for which an allocation of Rs.93.98 lakhs has been made under the Ninth Five Year Plan.

(c)&(d): The Andaman and Nicobar Administration have identified 41 villages for undertaking watershed projects which are at present at various stages of completion.